



BOROUGH OF MONTGOMERY

ANNUAL REPORT of the MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH for the
Borough of Montgomery for the year 1945

Sept 1946.

Gentlemen,

I beg to submit a short report on the Health and Sanitary conditions of the Borough for the year 1945.

BIRTHS There were Eighteen births during the year, Seven Males and Eleven Females, giving a birth rate of 21.4 compared with 18.1 for 1944. The Birth Rate for England & Wales for 1945 was 16.1. for 1944. There was one Still birth during the year.

DEATHS There were Thirteen deaths during the year; Six Males and Seven Females giving a death rate of 15.4 compared with 17.9 for 1944. The general death rate for England and Wales was 11.4.

NOTIFIABLE INFECTIOUS DISEASES There was no epidemic during the year.

Diphtheria	2
Measles	7

TUBERCULOSIS One New case was notified during the year. There were no deaths.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION This is carried out by the County Council.

WATER The Water Supply during the year was again satisfactory both in quality and quantity. The Springs on which the area formerly depended gave out in March and pumping from the boreholes was carried on until November, when the springs again yielded sufficient for requirements.

Samples taken for Bacteriological and Chemical Analysis showed that the water was highly satisfactory. No injurious metals were found. The Water Supply was laid on to four more houses and arrangements have been made for the connection to others.

There are 204 houses in the Inner District and 87 of these are supplied by direct connection. There are 44 houses in the Outer District, and these have their own supply.

NEW HOUSES No new houses were built during the year. A site has been acquired and plans submitted and it is hoped to commence the building of twenty houses in the near future.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE No change from 1944- a detailed survey of the existing sewers has been made, and a scheme for the installation of an efficient sewage disposal plant is now being prepared. This is an urgent matter as more and more houses are coming on the water carriage system and the present method of sewage disposal is inadequate.

CLOSET ACCOMMODATION There was one conversion to the water carriage system but this was mainly due to labour shortage. Approval has been given for a number of conversions.

PUBLIC CLEANSING

One dwellinghouse was distempered after a case of Infectious Disease.

MILK Farms and Dairies are frequently inspected and a good standard of cleanliness is maintained. The County Council is responsible for the Administration of the Milk (Special Designations) Orders which are concerned with the issue of licences to produce "Tuberculin Tested" and "Accredited" Milk and the Supervision of the methods of production.

MEAT INSPECTION

The Slaughtering of animals is carried out at Newtown for this area under Government arrangements. Shops and Meat vans are kept under supervision and everything is satisfactory.

BAKEHOUSES

The two Bakehouses are kept very clean.

SCHOOLS

As there is an adequate water supply I would strongly urge conversion from the pail closets to water closets.

The health of the population is generally satisfactory and there is no evidence of mal-nutrition in either children or adults.

I am Sirs

Your obedient Servant.

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